

CITY OF MILPITAS
SISTER CITIES ADVISORY COMMISSION (SCC)
MCC ROOMS 7&8

MINUTES
NOVEMBER 19, 2015

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call** Chair Grilli called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners present: Arbaugh, Arefi, Chen, Grilli. Alternate commissioner present: Llamas. Absent commissioners: Chen.
- Council Liaison Marsha Grilli: Absent
MHS Student Liaison Mikayla Horyza: Absent
MUSD Liaison Gunawan Alisantosa: Present
Staff Liaison Leslie Stobbe: Present
- II. Alternates Seating of** None.
- III. Allegiance Pledge of** No flag in room; not conducted.
- IV. Minutes** MOTION to approve the minutes of October 29, 2015.
M / S: Arefi / Arbaugh Ayes: All
- V. Agenda** MOTION to approve the agenda of November 19, 2015 with a correction requested by staff: Change December 24 date in *Background* to December 17.
M / S: Arbaugh / Arefi Ayes: All
- VI. Announcements:** Staff gave an invitation from the Japanese Consul General of Japan to Commissioner Arbaugh. Commissioner Arefi announced that he received an email response from Mayor Esteves regarding his research into policies and procedures of other cities for sister city relationships. Staff distributed the updated commission roster.
- VII. Public Forum:** None.
- VIII. New Business**
- 1. Reschedule December Meeting to December 17 or Cancel December Meeting**
After review and discussion of possible topics, the SCC decided to conduct its meeting on December 17.
- MOTION to reschedule the December 24 meeting to December 17.
M / S: Arbaugh / Arefi Ayes: All

IX. Old Business

1. Sister City Relationship with a city in Latin America

The item was not discussed and it was decided to postpone discussion of this item until a future meeting.

2. Seongnam City, Draft Memorandum of Understanding Review

Staff stated there is no update and she has not had any contact with the Seongnam representative.

3. E-Pal Project with Sister Cities

Communications between Milpitas and Tsukuba students are continuing and getting started with Dagupan students. Huizhou has not yet provided its list of matching students. Staff will again contact the Huizhou contact with a reminder.

4. Tsukuba City, Japan

No new information was discussed.

5. Dagupan City, Philippines

No new information was discussed.

6. Huizhou Municipality, China

No new information was discussed.

X. Student Liaison Report – None

XI. City Council Liaison Report – None

XII. School District Liaison Report – Two items were noted: 1) Groundbreaking ceremony for the San Jose / Evergreen Community College extension and; 2) MUSD hosted a delegation from Indonesia.

XIII. Future Agenda Items

1. Sister City Relationships / Cultural Exchanges
 - i. Tsukuba, Japan
 - ii. Dagupan, Philippines
 - iii. Huizhou, China
2. MOU Display on 2nd Floor of Milpitas City Hall
3. Sister City Relationship with a city in Latin America
4. Discuss Future of Sister City Program

XII. Adjournment

No further business was discussed. Chair Grilli requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m. until the rescheduled meeting of December 17, 2015.

MOTION: Adjourn the meeting of November 19, 2015 to the rescheduled meeting of December 17, 2015.

M / S: Chen / Arbaugh

Ayes: All

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Stobbe
Staff Liaison